Purulia arms dropping incident

1182. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any further arms have been found in and around Purulia region during the past three months;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the progress made so far in the Purulia arms dropping case, indicating the persons or organisations found engaged therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) and (b) During April, May and June 1996, the following arms etc. have been recovered:

(i)	AK-47 rifles	—	5
(ii)	Anti-Tank Grenade	—	1
(iii)	Hand Grenade	—	3
(iv)	Booster	—	1
(v)	Magazines of AK-47/56	—	5
(vi)	Some maintenance material like pouches and oil pots.		

(c) Central Bureau of Investigation, who has been entrusted with the investigation of the case, has filed a charge sheet on 20.3.1996 against 13 persons, which include six foreigners, presently in judicial custody and seven absconders. CBI has also intimated that it has been possible to conclude as of now that the firearms etc. were meant for a section of the Anand Nargis.

12.00 Noon

(The Deputy Chairman in the Chair)

PAPER LAID ON THE TABLE

(i) **Report and Accounts (1994-95) of the National Foundation for Communal Harmony, New Delhi and related papers.**

(ii) **Order of the Andaman and Nicobar Administration.**

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA): Madam, I lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—
   (i) Annual Report and Accounts of the National Foundation for Communal Harmony, New Delhi for the year 1994-95, together with the Auditors' Report on the Accounts.
   (ii) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.
   (iii) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (i) above [Placed in Library, *See* No. LT-149/96]

II. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Andaman and Nicobar Administration, Order No. 34/96, dated the 22nd March, 1996, publishing the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (Panchayats) Regulation, 1994, under sub-section (2) of Section 201 of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (Panchayats) Act, 1994. [Placed in Library, *See* No. LT-148/96]

SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI (Uttar Pradesh): Madam, I want.....

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Is there any objection? What is the objection?

SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI: I want to make some observations on Papers to be Laid on the Table. I want to bring to your notice that the first three papers relate to important Ministries and everywhere there is a reason given for the delay in laying the papers. The reason for the delay and also..... (*Interruptions*)..... Mr. Jalappa.... Will there be an assurance also forthcoming from the hon. Home Minister and the other Ministers who have to lay papers that these reasons will not occur any more once they have assumed office? I may just mention, Madam Chairperson, that a number of questions and other points follow from the very fact that Handicrafts Handloom Export Corporation and a reply was given this morning by Mr. Jalappa. .... (*Interruptions*)....

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Mr. Salim, just one minute. Already the House is in confusion. Too many people are asking. So I cannot hear. So let me understand what you are talking of the Home Minister. ....(*Interruptions*)....

SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI: